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<u>AMENDMENT</u>

Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Washington, D.C. 20231 THE COMMISSIONER IS AUTHORIZED TO CHARGE ANY DEFICIENCY IN THE FEES FOR THIS PAPER TO DEPOSIT ACCOUNT NO. 23-0975

Sir:

Responsive to the Official Action dated November 8, 2001, the time for filing thereto being extended for two months in accordance with the Petition for Extension submitted concurrently herewith, please amend the above-identified application as follows.

In the Specification:

Page 1, between lines 1 and 3, insert the following new heading:	
ΔΙ	Background of the Invention
	line 3, replace the heading with the following new
heading:	
A2.	1. Field of the Invention
	line 15, replace the heading with the following new
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K3	2. Description of the Related Art